THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION No.22474 of 2006

Dated: 01-11-2006

Between:

C.S. Moorthy.

..... PETITIONER

AND

Officer in Charge, Electricity Revenue Office, APCPDCL,
Hyderabad and another.

.....RESPONDENT

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ORDER:

The petitioner is availing power supply for his agricultural connections bearing Nos. SC 694 V,SC 393 V and SC 473 V at 5HP each. He was allegedly paying the charges under slab system. However, respondent No.2 issued bimonthly bill for the month of August, 2006 demanding Rs.25,703.97ps which includes arrears of electricity charges in a sum of Rs.24,078.91ps. Aggrieved by the same, he approached respondent No.2 and gave a representation disputing the bill and asking for rectification, in vain. Therefore, he filed instant writ petition.

As per the General Terms and Conditions of Supply (GTCS) issued by APCPDCL, all billing complaints including change of category has to be initially adjudicated before an authorized officer, namely, Divisional Engineer(DE) concerned. Having regard to the fact that this Court cannot adjudicate the billing dispute, it would be proper if respondent No.2 to whom representation is made forward the same to DE concerned. As and when DE receives the complaint/representation made by the petitioner, he may dispose of the same within a period of four weeks thereafter, after giving an opportunity of being heard to the petitioner. In this writ petition, no relief can be granted to the petitioner.

The writ petition, with the above observations, is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

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V.V.S.RAO, J

01st November, 2006
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